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**RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES**

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This is in response to the Requirement for Election of Species (mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 9, 2002) that is due on March 9, 2003.

**REMARKS**

As required by the Election/Restriction requirement, Applicant elects, without traverse, Species C which the Office identified as including Figures 7-9. Applicant further identifies the following claims are readable on elected Species C: Claims 25, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 35, 36, 39.

**CONCLUSION**

If the Examiner has any questions, or wishes to discuss this matter, please call the undersigned at 952-896-3397.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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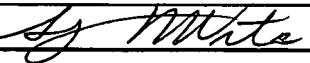
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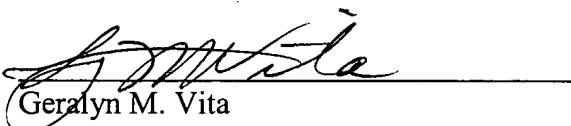
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